GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

PS – PR and RD Department – Allegations of irregularities/misappropriation of Govt., funds took place in (a) Execution of works and (b) Office transactions in PR Division, Paderu – Disciplinary proceedings initiated against Sri K.Venugopal, the then MEO, Athreyapuram, East Godavari District and Sri P.Prabhakara Reddy, the then SE, PR, Kakinada (now retired) – WSDs /dated acknowledgments submitted – Common Proceedings under Rule 24 of A.P. Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 – Appointment of Inquiry Authority and Presenting Officer under sub-rule (2) and (5) of Rule 20 of APCS (CC&A) Rules, 1991- Orders – Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 279 **Dated: 19-03-2016**

Read the following:

1. From the DG, V&E Deptt., VR No.129(390/V&E/E1/08), Dt.07.08.2008.
2. G.O.Rt.No.1170, PR&RD (Vig.II) Deptt., Dt.16.07.13.
3. G.O.Rt.No.1172, PR&RD (Vig.II) Deptt., Dt.16.07.13.
4. G.O.Rt.No.1173, PR&RD (Vig.II) Deptt., Dt.16.07.13.
5. G.O.Rt.No.1174, PR&RD (Vig.II) Deptt., Dt.16.07.13.
6. From Sri K.Venugopal, the then MEO, Athreyapuram, WSD, Dt.13.11.2013.
7. From Sri P.Prabhakara Reddy, the then SE, PR, Kakinada (now Retired), WSD, Dt. .05.2015.
8. From Sri S.Sudhakara Reddy, the then AE, RWS(Projects) (now retired), WSD, Dt.20.11.2013.
9. From Sri K.Satya Prakasa Rao, the then DEE, PR, Padeu (now retired), WSD, Dt.23.07.2015.
10. G.O.Rt.No.277, PR&RD(Vig.I) Department, Dt.19.03.2016.
11. G.O.Rt.No.278, PR&RD(Vig.I) Department, Dt.19.03.2016.

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ORDER:

In the references 2nd to 5th read above, charges were framed against i) Sri P.Prabhakara Reddy, then Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Kakinda, now retired, ii) Sri K.Venugopal, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, iii) Sri S.Sudhakara Reddy, then Assistant Engineer, RWS(Projects) and iv)Sri K.Satya Prakasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer(Retd), in respect of irregularities in execution of works and misappropriation of Government funds in Office transactions at Panchayat Raj Division, Paderu.

2. In reply to the charges, against i) Sri P.Prabhakara Reddy, then Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Kakinda, now retired, ii) Sri K.Venugopal, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, iii) Sri S.Sudhakara Reddy, then Assistant Engineer, RWS(Projects) and iv)Sri K.Satya Prakasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer(Retd), have submitted their Written Statement Defences, vide references 6th to 9th read above.

3. After careful examination of the matter, Government, vide reference 10th read above, have dropped the charges framed against i) Sri S.Sudhakara Reddy, then Assistant Engineer, RWS(Projects) and ii)Sri K.Satya Prakasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer(Retd), under rule 9(2)(b)(ii) of APRP Rules, 1980, due to 4 years limitation period, subject to recovery of the amount misappropriated if any by them.

4. Government, have also decided to conduct common enquiry into the charges framed against i) Sri P.Prabhakara Reddy, then Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Kakinda, now retired, ii) Sri K.Venugopal, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Athreyapuram, East Godavari District, under Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (CC&A) Rules, 1991 and to conduct fact finding enquiry against i) Sri S.Sudhakara Reddy, then Assistant Engineer, RWS(Projects) and ii)Sri K.Satya Prakasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive

Engineer (Retd), so as to recover the amounts from them under RR Act, if any misappropriation is established.

5. Whereas common proceedings have been ordered against i) Sri P.Prabhakara Reddy, then Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Kakinda, now retired, ii) Sri K.Venugopal, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Athreyapuram, East Godavari District vide reference 11th read above.

6. Now, therefore, the Government in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-rule (2) of the said rule hereby appoints Dr.Prem Chand, IAS (Retired), Commissioner of Inquiries, as Inquiry Authority under Rule 20(2) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (classification, control and appeal) Rules, 1991 to inquire into the charges framed against i) Sri P.Prabhakara Reddy, then Superintending Engineer, Panchayat Raj, Kakinda, now retired, ii) Sri K.Venugopal, the then Mandal Engineering Officer, Athreyapuram, East Godavari District and also to find out the facts in respect of i) Sri S.Sudhakara Reddy, then Assistant Engineer, RWS(Projects) and ii)Sri K.Satya Prakasa Rao, the then Deputy Executive Engineer (Retd), so as to recover the amounts from them under RR Act, if any misappropriation is established.

7. Government also hereby appoint Sri M.Varaprasada Rao, Advocate as the Presenting Officer to present the case on behalf of the Government in support of the articles of charge against the said Government Servants before the Inquiry Authority on behalf of the Government under Rule 20(5) (c) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (classification, control and appeal) Rules, 1991.

8. The Presenting Officer shall acquaint himself with the facts of the case and present the case before the Inquiry Authority effectively. He is also requested to obtain and produce documents if any required by the Inquiry Authority during the course of enquiry without referring the matter to the Government.

9. The Inquiry Authority is requested to conduct Inquiry strictly in terms of rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (classification, control and appeal) Rules, 1991 and submit report as required under (18)(ii) of the above said Rules. Copy of Charge Memoranda issued to the Charged Officers and their written statements of defence are herewith furnished to the Inquiry Authority as required under rule 20 (7) of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (classification, control and appeal) Rules, 1991.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

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